

INVASION OF RUSSIA IS HALTED

Balfour Sees No Possibility of Peace at Present Time
Germany Accepts Capitulation of Bolsheviks

SMALL HOPE OF SPEEDY PEACE

Germany Sees Little Probability of General Peace Following Chancellor's Speech--Approves Wilson's Terms, But Declares Entente Will Not Subscribe to Them

By Courier Leased Wire. Amsterdam, Feb. 28.—Chancellor von Hertling's denial of any intention by Germany to establish herself in Estonia and Livonia, says The Frankfurter Zeitung, excludes misunderstanding. It adds: "It must now be assumed that there is no fundamental difference of opinion between the chancellor and President Wilson and peace discussion based on President Wilson's principle might begin immediately. It is important, however, for the President to induce his allies to recognize his principles. As they seem to be hopelessly entangled in their own plans, while President Wilson himself is not free and a league of nations is not in existence to offer aid, there is slight hope that the chancellor's appeal will in any case have any effect."

GERMAN ARMY ORDERED TO STOP ADVANCE INTO RUSSIA

ITALIAN LOSSES NIL

By Courier Leased Wire. Rome, Feb. 28.—Italian shipping was immune from German submarines and mines in the week ending February 27. One steamer attacked and best of a submarine which menaced it. During the week 419 ships entered Italian ports and 338 cleared, exclusive of fishing and other small vessels. Not one ton was lost. ONE SMALL VESSEL LOST. Paris, Feb. 28.—No French vessels of more than 1,600 tons were sunk by enemy mines or submarines during the week ending February 27. One vessel under that tonnage was lost, but no fishermen were sunk. Four merchantmen fought off submarine attacks. Entries into French ports aggregated 915 and departures 801.

Invading Forces Halted By Command From Military Headquarters SURRENDER ACCEPTED Halting is Interpreted to Mean Renewal of Peace With Bolsheviks

FRESH CALL TO ARMS Russ Council of People's Commissioners Denounces German Socialists

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 28.—The German army has received orders to stop its advance into Russia, according to the Petrograd correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company, who has received information to this effect, which he regards as reliable. When the Bolshevik Government agreed to accept German peace terms last week the commander-in-chief of the Russian army inquired of the Germans if the previous armistice would be renewed and the German invasion halted. He did not receive an immediate reply and the German advance continued. A despatch from Petrograd Wednesday said that General Hoffman, the German military representative at Brest-Litovsk, had replied to the Bolshevik communication by declaring that the German advance would continue until a treaty of peace was signed and carried out along lines laid down in the German peace terms.

TEUTONS REFUSE TO GIVE UP POISON GAS

Would Require Change in Both Attack and Defense Schemes, Is German Plea; Willing for Discussion On New War Methods.

By Courier Leased Wire. Copenhagen, Feb. 15.—(By mail)—The Central Powers have no intention of giving up the use of poison gas, as recently was suggested in an appeal from the International Red Cross at Geneva. The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger, a copy of which has been received here, says: "In the opinion of German experts, it would be difficult to carry out a suggestion, because both attack and defense schemes would have to be completely changed. This the army command is hardly inclined to do. But if an armistice could be arranged, there would be opportunity to discuss all the new technical war methods introduced since the war began."

NO RAY OF PEACE YET DAWNING ON HORIZON

Clouds of War Still Hang Over Civilized World, Declares Balfour; Foreign Secretary, in Commons Last Night, Replied to Criticisms of His Recent Speech —Nothing as Yet Likely to Make Diplomatic Conversation Fruitful.

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 28.—Foreign Secretary Balfour replied last night in the House of Commons to criticisms of his recent speech concerning von Hertling and Count Czernin, made by Richard Holt, a Radical member. Mr. Balfour maintained his previous position that nothing had yet happened to make diplomatic conversations fruitful of good results. He added: "I say it with profound regret, but I think that all indications are that we have not yet had that happy stage and it is that conviction which makes me feel that the clouds of war are still lowering over the whole civilized world. There is no clear obvious direction in which such sunshine of approaching peace can make itself felt. May that time come soon. But we should be deceiving ourselves in the case of von Hertling's speech if we took that sunshine view."

"We know that the East is the East and West is the West, and that the German policy of the West is entirely different from the German policy of the East. The German policy in the East recently has been directed toward preventing atrocities and devastation in the interest of humanity, while Germany policy in the West is occupied entirely in performing atrocities and devastations. "Why this difference of treatment of Belgium on one side and other populations on the other? I know of no explanation, except that Germany pursues her methods with remorseless insistency and alters or varies the excuse she gives for her policy. "If she invades Belgium it is military necessity; if Courland, it is in the interest of humanity. It is impossible to rate very high the professions of humanity, international righteousness and equity in regard to those populations which figure so largely in the speeches. I am quite unable to understand how anybody can get up in the Reichstag and claim that Germany is waging a defensive war. Secretary Balfour then contrasted the different methods pursued by Germany and Great Britain in the expansion of their empires, and asserted that Germany's policy has been more deliberately ambitious than that of any nation since Louis XIV.

"We can listen to von Hertling's criticism with perfect equanimity," he added, "and we are ready to stand our trial at the bar of history. How could conversations take place which in von Hertling's speech, were the extreme high water mark of German concession? "Does Mr. Holt really think that von Hertling's were able to carry out these conversations on the basis of the doctrines contained in his speech, that the conversations could end in anything but defeat? Does not anyone think that conversations which began and end in discord are worse than conversations at all. "I am convinced that to begin negotiations, unless you see your way to carry them through successfully, would be to commit the gravest crime against the future peace of the world and negotiations must have preparation for the bringing of ideas closer together, I believe I should be doing an injury to the cause of peace if I encourage the idea that there is any use in beginning these verbal negotiations until something like a general agreement is apparent in the distance and until the statesmen of all the countries see their way to that broad settlement, which, it is my hope will bring peace to this sorely troubled world."

LAWLESSNESS IN IRELAND REPORTED

London Hears of Disorders For Which Sinn Feiners Are Blamed

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 28.—The newspapers continue to print reports of lawlessness and other acts of violence in Ireland. The police are said to be unable to prevent these acts. Among the minor incidents is a report that Sinn Feiners seized American flags which two boys were carrying in a street in Galway and tore and burned them. Secretary has not Quit Henry Duke, secretary for Ireland, has not resigned and it is understood that he intends to stand by the Irish convention until the end. He is credited with the opinion that much of the present lawlessness is due to an organized conspiracy against the convention. It is reported that many wealthy families residing in the west of Ireland have gone to escape the disorders.

FRANCE CHARTERS GERMAN VESSELS

Appropriation Voted To Make Use of Interned Teuton Ships

By Courier Leased Wire. Paris, Feb. 28.—The Chamber of Deputies voted yesterday to appropriate 1000,000,000 francs to be used in chartering German ships placed at the disposal of France in Brazil. The vote was 317 to 111. Foreign Minister Pichon, in supporting the measure, said it was the first transaction between the French and Brazilian Governments since Brazil broke with Germany and was a genuine demonstration of Brazil's friendship towards France.

INTERN RAIDERS.

By Courier Leased Wire. Copenhagen, Feb. 28.—The German crew and a Spanish officer have been landed from the German converted cruiser Igotz Menel, which sought refuge in Danish waters. The Spanish flag is now flying from the vessel. A detachment of Danish soldiers escorted the Germans to Skagen, where they have been interned.

SEVEN NURSES ARE REPORTED MISSING

Death Roll on Glen Artcastle Will Likely Total Nearly 144 By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 28.—The hospital ship, Glen Artcastle, had 182 persons on board, it is stated unofficially when she went down Tuesday in the British Channel. Three parties aggregating 38, have been landed at Swansea, Milford and Pembroke. None of the others have been heard from. The missing include about seven nurses. "The survivors of the Glen Artcastle landed at Swansea, declared the ship was torpedoed by a submarine. No submarine was seen by them, but a dim light was seen on the surface of the water before the ship was shaken by an explosion."

ACTIVITIES IN SIBERIA BY JAPAN AND U.S.

Flowers Kingdom Contemplating a Policy of Military Intervention By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 28.—The Japanese and reports from Paris as to Japan's possible activities, in view of the German advance into Russia, are given prominence by the morning newspapers. The Times says it understands that the statement of the Japanese foreign minister is regarded in well informed quarters as an authoritative declaration of Japan's policy. In its editorial comment the Daily Mail says: "General Foch's appeal to Japan and the United States to co-operate in confronting the German in Siberia, is answered by Viscount Motono as far as Japan is concerned. If an allied expedition in which Japan and America would necessarily have leading parts, could control the Siberian railroad, and with it the rich food raising and mineral bearing districts of Siberia, a good counter-stroke would be dealt to Germany's advance. Japan's services in the allied cause already is considerable. It is not impossible that she will soon add to it. "Announcements made in Washington Wednesday that Japan had sounded the Entente Powers and the United States concerning joint military operations in Siberia. Negotiations on the subject between the United States and Japan are still in progress. Washington Hears News. Washington, Feb. 28.—Japan's move to develop the selling of the Allies toward appeal for joint military operations in Siberia to keep the vast stores at Vladivostok and at the Trans-Siberian railway from falling into the hands of the German invaders of Russia, was widely discussed to-day among diplomats and officials, but all were reluctant to give opinions for publication. Opinion in London that the declaration by the Japanese foreign minister, Count Motono, in the Japanese diet, could only be interpreted as a declaration that Japan was about to intervene, was regarded as further evidence of the negotiations now proceeding between the co-belligerents to make the action of an international character, probably including the participation of American forces. While all officials here are silent and disposed to minimize discussion of the subject, it is known that exchanges of opinion are going on with the object of a perfect understanding between Japan, the United States and the other co-belligerents, which would make the plan of joint action wholly acceptable to all and thoroughly define its extent and duration. Russian representatives here oppose action by the Japanese in Siberia, but the co-belligerents are thoroughly alarmed lest the vast quantities of supplies piled up at Vladivostok, bought and paid for with American cash, should fall into the hands of the Germans. be going to Finland. It was reported some days ago that soldiers of Finnish descent in the German army were being permitted and aided in returning to Finland to help the government forces against the revolutionists. The Firestone Tire and Rubber Co., has recently announced that notwithstanding new competition brought into the tire industry by the development of new companies, its volume of business increased 38 per cent. The Firestone people do a volume of about \$250,000,000 yearly. For such an industry a yearly increase of even 5 to 10 per cent. would seem a splendid showing—but last year the Firestone Co. increased its advertising appropriation.

VOTE FROM ENGLAND IS FOR UNION

Government Gains Two More Seats as Result of Soldier Ballots MAJORITY NOW 64 No Change in Quebec Standing; Three Unionists Only

By Courier Leased Wire. Ottawa, Feb. 28.—Cables telling of the result of the soldiers' vote taken in England, received by W. J. O'Connor, general returning officer, show that the Union Government has gained King's, P.E.I., and one of the two seats in a Queen's. This increased the Government majority from 60 to 64. The first returns received are from the Island Province, and Quebec, where there is no change recorded. In King's County, Melzac, Government candidate received 148 soldiers' votes in England against only fourteen cast for Melzac. In P.E.I., the Government candidate received a total vote of 2,885 as against 2,837 for Hughes, a majority for Melzac of 58. In the double seat of Queen's, P.E.I., Nicholson got 395 soldiers' votes, increasing his total 5,434. Warburton, his Liberal opponent, received only 255, which made his total 276. Sinclair, the second Liberal candidate in Queen's, won out by four votes. He also received 23 soldiers' votes in England, making his total vote 5,877. Matrin, the Government candidate, with 391 soldiers' votes, was four under this figure, with 5,978 votes. In Prince county, Lafarge, Government, received 207 soldiers' votes, and Read his opponent, 34. Read's total, however, is 4,297 against 3,974 for Lafarge. As stated, the soldiers' vote in England makes no change in Quebec Province, where the election score was 59 Liberals to three Government supporters. Hon. P. E. Blouin, Government candidate in Laurier-DuRoi, received 418 votes, and DuRoi 57. The final figures are: Blouin, 6,196; DuRoi, 7,448. Majority for DuRoi, 1,247. In Westmount-St. Henri, Hon. Albert Sevigny is still 1,012 votes behind. He received 508 soldiers' votes in England, making his grand total 4,978. Ledic with 49 overseas votes has a total of 7,089. In Dorchester county, where Mr. Sevigny was running against Lucien Cannon, the total soldier's vote cast in France and England, combined, was only eight. Of these Cannon got five and Sevigny three. Hon. O. C. Bellantyre, received 641 votes in England, making his total 5,906. Mann, his opponent, with 29 soldiers' votes, received a total of 3,408. With 689 overseas votes, in England, Hon. O. J. Dobson's final figures have grown to 8,348. Guerin, with 68 overseas votes, has a total of 4,416. He saves his deposit by a considerable margin. Sir Herbert Ames received (Continued on Page 4.)

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Weather Bulletin Toronto, Feb. 28. A trough of low pressure extends from the lake region to the Gulf of Mexico and snow and rain are falling in Southern Ontario. The weather is fair in all other parts of the Dominion and in Northern Ontario it is quite cold. Forecast Fresh northeast winds with snow, or in some localities, "Zimmie" five rain to-day and part of Friday.

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OBJECT TO ALIENS ON MUNITIONS

Trades and Labor Council Would Safeguard War Industries
OPPOSE ENEMY LABOR
Grand River Improvement Also Endorsed by the Council

President Stinchcombe being unable to attend the meeting of the Trades and Labor Council opened last night with Delegate James in the chair. The meeting was held in the smaller room of Labor Hall, a special meeting of the Moulders' Union occupying the large hall. The absence of several labor enthusiasts who have taken principal parts in recent discussions was particularly noticeable.

Delegate McGrattan brought up a resolution urging the City Council to petition the Federal Government to make it illegal for any alien enemies to be employed in munition plants and in other ways seeking to limit their privileges in this country. At the last meeting some claimed that this was not British. McGrattan claimed it was. Canadians would be interested in Germany, and if alien enemies were dangerous, they ought to be kept under the arm of the Government here. Crowley said that if he could not go to Germany, he would go to the Germans, he would do all he could to lick 'em here." Delegate Farnenton said that there ought to be a rider in the resolution stating what would be done to these men if they were refused employment. He suggested they be placed on farms in one section of the province according to Delegate McGrattan, to centralize the men according to provinces so that a stricter watch could be kept over them. In this way we would need so many guards as in this case only guards would be needed at the borders. He outlined a scheme whereby the men would be placed on farms in one section of each province and paid for their work. At the present we had no guarantee for our safety. These men were making shells at \$5 a day for our soldiers to fire at \$1.10 a day. "And we're at war!" emphasized the speaker. "Then we're thinking of talking about liberty!" Delegate Brown stated that the T. and L. Council didn't want alien enemy conscription. At the same time Government officials seem to have preference for aliens doing Government work. He cited a typical case, that of the building of the aviation camp at Beamsville. Crowley said that, although the

COMB SAGE TEA IN HAIR TO DARKEN IT

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The old-time mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur for darkening gray, streaked and faded hair is grand-mother's recipe, and folks are again using it to keep their hair a good, even color, which is quite sensible, as we are living in an age when youthful appearance is of the greatest advantage. Nowadays, though, we don't have the troublesome task of gathering the sage and the mussy mixing at home. All drug stores sell the ready to use product, improved by the addition of other ingredients, called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound." It is very popular because nobody can discover it has been applied. Simply misten your comb or a soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, but what delights the ladies with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, is that before beautifully darkening the hair after a few applications, it also produces that soft lustre and appearance of abundance which is so attractive. This ready-to-use preparation is a delightful toilet requisite for those who desire a more youthful appearance. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

foreigners came to this country naturally inclined to work on farms, the manufacturers "bought" them to work cheaply in the factories before they had a chance to get on a farm. Kyte thought that it was a mistake to antagonize these men. In the Moulders' Union there were Canadians and Germans, and both were entitled to the support of organized labor. He felt that he could not therefore support the motion. McGrattan stated that the resolution could not be voted down when we had refused to allow allied aliens, Hindoos and Chinese, entrance to this country. The resolution was passed. Delegate Halford, chairman of the Executive Committee of the T. and L. was then introduced to the Council and spoke briefly. Mr. Halford was in the city yesterday representing the Trades and Labor Council of Hamilton, trying to get in an effort to get wine and beer licenses for the hotels. The Ontario Legislature had passed the law which gives prohibition. The only drink the men have now contains 2 1/2 per cent. alcohol. This beer is worthless and very irritating. If the Government would pass an amendment to the Prohibition Act allowing the sale and consumption of good beer at 2 1/2 per cent. alcohol drink could be had. This drink was of the



And Yet There Are Those Who Still Believe in Negotiated Peace.

same nutritious value as thin soup. In fact, one delegate who claimed he knew the difference, stated that he would prefer good beer to thin soup. Representatives from the Trades and Labor Councils from all parts of the province will on Saturday next present at the Ontario Legislature at Toronto a living memorial asking that wine and beer licenses be issued. Delegate Brown stated that as both temperance and non-temperance men were in the union any such action as sending representatives would tend to make a division in the forces of labor. However, upon the claims of the speaker that the drink was a non-intoxicant and that it would be a benefit to the working men, a resolution was passed endorsing the stand taken by other Trades and Labor Councils in the province. Representatives will be sent from Brantford. The following letter which Secretary Kyte received from the Secretary of the Calgary Trades and Labor Council, was read: "Frank Wilson returned yesterday, who has been employed in a Calgary post office for the past six months and was sentenced to receive three years in the penitentiary on February 13th for the theft of three letters containing \$9.75. Wilson is reported to have not fully recovered from services overseas.

"At the last regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council, the executive were instructed to ask for your co-operation in an appeal to the Minister of Justice to have the sentence revoked. We would also draw your attention to the salaries paid in this department. Wilson received \$13.50 per week (this does not include clothing, medical attention, drugs, etc.). We therefore suggest that a strong protest be made against the ridiculous low wages paid in the Civil Service, as undoubtedly this was a contributing factor to the downfall of Wilson." "It was agreed by the members of the Council that they co-operate with the Calgary Union men in this regard. The following resolution speaks for itself, but a further discussion will likely be made at the next meeting of the T. and L. Council: "That in view of the condition of the Grand River at present, and also in the past years, this Council is of the opinion that there should be something done to eliminate the danger to human life and property and: Whereas they note that in the past year there were thirteen lives lost through drowning in the said river, they therefore recommend that the lifeboat, now kept at the dry dock, be moved to a suitable place on the river and: Further that a competent man be engaged by the city to patrol the river and have authority to stop bathing when in his estimation it would be dangerous; further: Be it resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the city council." This motion was made by Delegate McGrattan and seconded by Delegate Crowley. Meeting with no serious opposition, it received the favor of the council. A resolution was carried favoring "early closing" for the Trades and Labor Council. In future, no notice of motion may be made after ten o'clock on meeting nights.

AUTOMATIC LOCKERS IN STATIONS

Grand Trunk Railway Installs Safety Deposit Boxes for Parcels

The Grand Trunk has installed in the waiting room of the local station a system of automatic parcel checking for the convenience of the travelling public. This innovation consists of a series of steel lockers, each large enough to hold two three-inch suit cases, a number of parcels or a club bag. Instructions as to obtain his property inserts the door of every locker. The patron selects a locker where the key is in the lock, opens the door and deposits his bag or other property. The patron then places ten cents in the slot of the lock, turning the key to the right, which locks the door, and then removes the key and retains it as a check. The number of each key corresponds with the number of a locker. The traveller on returning to the station, inserts the key in the lock, which is automatically fastened in the lock and cannot again be removed until another coin is deposited. The checking service given for the one payment covers a period of twenty-four hours or less. These automatic lockers are being used extensively on the Grand Trunk System. They have proved safe and sanitary, permitting the patron to obtain service with the least possible delay. The railway, in installing them, has felt that they will be appreciated by travellers using that line.

BOOZE TOO EASY TO GET
Toronto, Feb. 28.—That doctors are too free with prescriptions for liquor to patients was the statement of P. M. Hamilton, of Brockville at the Dominion Alliance this morning. He said in a village of 800 people, near Brockville, two doctors had given 997 prescriptions for liquor. They had said fines without protest. J. M. Boyd, London, said there were many women "boot-leggers" in that city.

WANT MORE KID IN BEER
Toronto, Feb. 28.—On Saturday a large deputation of labor men and others will wait on Sir William Hearst and the government, to ask for a larger percentage of alcohol in the temperance beer of Ontario.

Sporting Comment

Braves Broken Up
Making over a ball club often is the work of years and sometimes the work of months only. A striking example of speedy transformation in the personnel of a major league club is furnished in the reorganization now under way in the case of the Boston Braves. The combination of a world war and the decline of certain veteran players have resulted in a remarkable change at Boston, so much so, that more than half of the players who were on the Braves' roster a year ago this time have since been separated from the club. Stallings' team went into the 1917 pennant chase rated as a one, two, three club and a sure pennant contender, but only a small minority of the players who trained at Miami last March will go back there next year.

In asking for waivers a few days ago on Pitchers Eddie Reulbach and Pat Ragan, Infielder Eddie Fitzpatrick and Outfielder Joe Kelley, Manager Stallings made it plain that numerous other changes are planned. A year ago the Braves had on their roster Hank Gowdy, Rabbit Maravilla, Johnny Evers, Sherwood Magee, Joe Wilhoit, Joe Kelly, Frank Allen, Pat Ragan, Dick Rudolph, Edgar Collins and Eddie Fitzpatrick, all of the power class as veterans and not one of this crowd will go to Miami a few weeks hence. Blackburn, Massey, Chappelle, Twombly and Crum were others who were tried out with Stallings' team last spring and they have since departed. Six of the seven outfielders, two regular infielders and one utility infielder, three veteran pitchers and the first string catcher have all gone in the space of one year. The reorganization of the Braves brings back to mind the great transformation that has taken place in the team that won four straight games in the world's series of 1914, the best record ever made in one of the big series. Stallings-to-day has two players who figured in that memorable set of games with the Athletics only 3 years ago. Both survivors are pitchers, Dick Rudolph and George Tyler Gowdy. Whitting and Mitchell were the catchers that year and all are gone. The pitchers, aside from the two named above were James, who now threatens to attempt a come back, Hess, Davis, Crutcher and Coeham. The infielders who took part in the world's series were Schmidt, Evers, Maravilla and Deal, Red Smith being in a hospital at the time with a broken ankle. The outfielders that season were Connolly, Cather, Whitted, Moran and Mamm. Duger as general utility player. Coupling Smith, who did not take part in the series, Stallings now has only three players who made that 1914 team the greatest sensation in baseball history. It is a striking coincidence that Connie Mack, whose team opposed Stallings in that series, has only one player, Malmgren, who took part in the championship games.



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Thinks Time is Ripe to Institute Military Operations in Siberia

SAVE WAR SUPPLIES Vast Quantities Stored at Vladivostok and Along Railroad

FIRST OPPOSED BY U. S. But Washington Government Has Since Modified Its Attitude

London, Feb. 27.—The Evening Standard says: "The censorship has been drawn very closely around Japan, but the feeling in Japanese circles in London is that the Island Empire is on the eve of decisive action, notably in the direction of Vladivostok and Harbin. "Should the Russo-German peace actually be concluded, it goes without saying that Japan will take the most decided steps." Foreign Minister Motono is credited with saying before the Japanese House of Representatives Friday, in a despatch received here, "The fullest understanding exists with Great Britain, America and the other allies," he declared.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Japan has directed inquiries to the Entente powers and the United States Government to test their feeling towards a proposal to institute joint military operations in Siberia to save the vast quantities of war supplies stored at Vladivostok and along the Siberian railroad. Criticism at home of the failure of Japan to play a larger part in the war is said to have been influential in bringing about the negotiations.

Officials here refuse to discuss the subject for publication, but it is understood that so far as American is concerned the proposition when first broached was not wholly acceptable, although the exchanges on the subject, which are still in progress, may result in modifying the government's attitude.

Supplies Lie Open
Accumulated at Vladivostok are military supplies of all kinds, much of American manufacture, and even greater quantities of Japanese origin, which were delivered long before the Bolsheviks took possession of the Russian Government. The Stevens commission of American engineers made extraordinary efforts to improve the facilities of the Siberian railroad so that these stores could be transported westward for the use of the Russian Army on the German and Austrian fronts. A good deal of accumulation was removed, but great quantities remain on the docks and in warehouses, and even in the open, both at Vladivostok and at points westward on the railroad. The material suffers greatly from deterioration through exposure to the weather and from other causes, but the principal matter of concern to the allies is the danger that the stores shall fall into the hands of the Germans, who may make their delivery one of the con-



A GROUP OF BEAUTIES WITH "PRETTY PAPA" TO BE SEEN AT THE GRAND SATURDAY NIGHT.

ditions of any peace treaty which they are about to compel the Bolshevik to sign.

Japs Want Allied Co-operation
This situation is regarded by the Japanese as warranting the adoption of some measures to secure these stores, even if this involves military action on their part. They are quite willing to have the co-operation of the Entente forces and of American troops and sailors in this object, and the problem which is now before the co-belligerent Chancelleries is whether Japan shall be allowed to proceed single-handed if a campaign in this quarter is begun, or whether there shall be joint operations. Looking to the future it has been argued that there should be a combination movement to avoid any such question as to the ultimate disposition of occupied territory in Siberia, as might follow the exclusive entry of any one country.

From the tone of the discussion of this subject in official Washington, it appears that while the Entente governments incline favorably to a joint campaign with Japan in Siberia, they are faced with the obstacle that practically none of them have any troops or ships available for an Asiatic campaign. This statement does not apply, however, to America, which not only has some powerful cruisers with large crews and marine contingents now in Asiatic waters, but, in addition, has about 20,000 troops in the Philippines and two full battalions, about 900 strong, in China and on the railroad, where they could be rushed quickly into Siberia.

While this whole American force would be insignificant compared to Japan's naval and military resources at these scenes, the participation of the American troops in the campaign would serve to maintain its international character.

Russians Object
The Russian representatives in Washington strongly disapprove of any campaign in Siberia conducted under Japanese auspices, although there be joint operations, urging the belief that the Bolshevik elements struggling for control at Vladivostok and along the Siberian railroad will never permit the military stores to pass into German possession, and that they can be depended upon to prevent the seizure of railway stations by the German prisoners of war who are reported to have been given their liberty by the Siberian local authorities.

Hot Water Each Morning Puts Roses in Your Cheeks



To look one's best and feel one's best is to enjoy an inside bath each morning to flush from the system the previous day's waste, sour fermentations and poisonous toxins before it is absorbed into the blood. Just as coal, when it burns, leaves behind a certain amount of combustible material in the form of ash, so the food and drink taken each day leave in the alimentary organs a certain amount of indigestible material, which if not eliminated, forms toxins and poisons which are then sucked into the blood through the very ducts which are intended to suck in only nourishment to sustain the body.

If you want to see the glow of healthy bloom in your cheeks, to see your skin get clearer and clearer, you are told to drink every morning upon arising, a glass of hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it, which is a harmless means of washing the waste material toxins from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels, thus cleansing the entire alimentary tract, before putting more food into the stomach.

Girls and women with hollow skins, liver spots, pimples or pallid complexion, also those who wake up with a coated tongue, bad taste, nasty breath, others who are bothered with headaches, bilious spells, acid stomach or constipation should begin this phosphate hot water drinking and are assured of very pronounced results in one or two weeks.

A quarter pound of limestone phosphate costs very little at the drug store but is sufficient to demonstrate that just as soap and hot water cleanses, purifies and freshens the skin on the outside, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the inside organs. We must always consider that internal sanitation is vastly more important than outside cleanliness because the skin pores do not absorb impurities into the blood while the bowel pores do.

Women who desire to enhance the beauty of their complexion should just try this for a week and notice results.

SIDE TALKS

TWO THINGS FOR HOOPER.

More things are wrought by people that will bring misery to the world than by any other thing. Surely one day of this man's life might appall a Daniel come to Judgment, might make Solomon long for simple problems like that of the disputed baby.

This is what I have been thinking about Hoover's position for some months.

And just yesterday, I had my sense of difficulties confirmed. I met a woman who had been present at a dinner at which he spoke and had sat close to him.

The Chubby Face Pictures Lie.
She told me that the pictures we see everywhere, the chubby faced, placid looking being, are not the pictures of the present Hoover. "It is simply pitiful to see the way he has changed," she said. "His face is thin and haggard and two or three times the tears rise to his eyes. You see he has been there and he knows how fearful the need is, and he knows the inside of the situation in this country and it is terrible to him that he can't make things things more seriously."

It seems to me that Hoover is doing what reason for the people of this country, and I think there are two things the people of this country ought to do for Hoover. One is to make every effort for conservation. The other is to add to what ever powers they already have, a petition that God will give him superhuman wisdom. Never did man need it more.

Listening Through Other Men's Ears.
And Hoover must listen—or, even more difficult, listen through his deputies—and decide.

If the blackest were black and whites it wouldn't be the easiest position in the world. But oh, how far they are from being black and white! He makes a move to accomplish some good end and straightway a commission of business men appear at Washington and tell him how many hundreds of thousands

of dollars have been expended annually by the two great branches in competitive territory, places where one Methodist church could have done the work. This would be \$7,500,000 in iron wages, or enough money with what they already have, to provide for all the superannuated ministers.

The name for the proposed new church has not been determined. Several titles are under consideration.

POLAND'S FIRST PREMIER.
(Associated Press.)
Copenhagen, Feb. 23.—Jan Kucharski, the first Premier of Poland, is a lawyer by profession and a historian as well as a politician by inclination. He studied law at Warsaw University, and after sitting for five years as assessor to the finance department in the Polish capital, he began to practice as an advocate, then giving lectures, meanwhile at colleges. In his spare time he wrote several books on Polish history.

When the war began, Kucharski was in Switzerland, where he wrote prolifically in favor of Polish independence. In the summer of 1916 he returned to Warsaw and entered the Department of Public Instruction, and afterward became adviser to the Regency Council. He is 41 years old.

164 REPORTED MISSING.
By Courier Local Wire.
London, Feb. 27.—According to the Exchange Telegraph Company 164 persons are missing from the Gian Ardennes.

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Music and Drama

THE WHITE FEATHER
It is a safe assertion that no other play produced since the beginning of the present war has met with the same degree of success that has attended the presentations by Albert Brown of the great English Secret Service drama "The White Feather." Mr. Brown has decided to devote the entire season, and in fact had so contracted, to presenting "The Love of a King" but so insistent and general were the demands for a revival of the war play that he finally acquiesced and with the exception of a few cases where he failed to get a renewal from his earlier contract, he will give up the remainder of the season to presentations of "The White Feather." This decision is certain to meet with the approval of all play-goers who like to play with a punch. Mr. Brown's engagement at the Grand Opera House, is Tuesday, March 5th.

"PRETTY PAPA"
Richard Clarke will play an engagement at the Grand Opera House Saturday, March 2nd, matinee and night. In his latest, and said to be his greatest musical comedy, "Pretty Papa," besides furnishing Mr. Clarke with one of the best comedy roles of his career, the character of "Papa" is said to be replete with comedy of the compelling sort that serves to keep the audience in a condition of alternate smiles and laughter. Mr. Clarke will be remembered as the star of "The Tenderfoot," "Marry Lamb," "Tumping Jupiter," "The Spring Chicken," "The Cohan Revue," and other big musical comedies.

A cast of thirty entertainers has been engaged to support Mr. Clarke. The large chorus, composed of noted Broadway beauties, and attired in gorgeous costumes will be a prominent feature in many of the tuneful musical numbers.

FITILETS
The Lasky studio in California was put into a wild uproar last week when a telegram arrived to the effect that Jack Pickford, the well known star in Paramount Pictures, had departed for the Naval Reserve. Jack had been in New York for a little vacation and while he was gone work was begun on "Mildred's Admirable," in which Lewis Huff was to appear with him. The telegram immediately stopped work and the entire plant was switched. Three hours later a wire arrived that Jack had been released from the Naval Reserve, and he had returned to Los Angeles. The telegram immediately stopped work and the entire plant was switched.

ALBERT BROWN
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SOCIALISTS WILL NOT ACCEPT COAL
German Endeavors To Spread Propaganda In Norway Fails

(Associated Press.)
Christiania, Norway, Feb. 23.—German Socialists have failed in an effort to negotiate a deal with the Norwegian Socialists to supply them with 40,000 tons of German coal as payment for distribution of German propaganda in Norway. The Germans demanded also that the Socialist faction of the Storting, seek to modify the agreement for exporting of Norwegian fish to Great Britain so as to increase the amount of fish sent to Germany.

A plan similar to this was unsuccessfully negotiated by the German Socialists in Denmark and it is claimed that the Germans induced in the way the Danish Socialists, their press and representative in the Danish cabinet to take a pro-German attitude.

William Johnson, leader of a Socialist press bureau in Berlin, was sent to Norway to put the deal through here. The Norwegian Socialist leaders rejected the proposition, although the German agents made repeated efforts to bring them to his terms. It is claimed that Johnson represented the Imperial German authorities in attempting to obtain socialist support for Germany in Norway.

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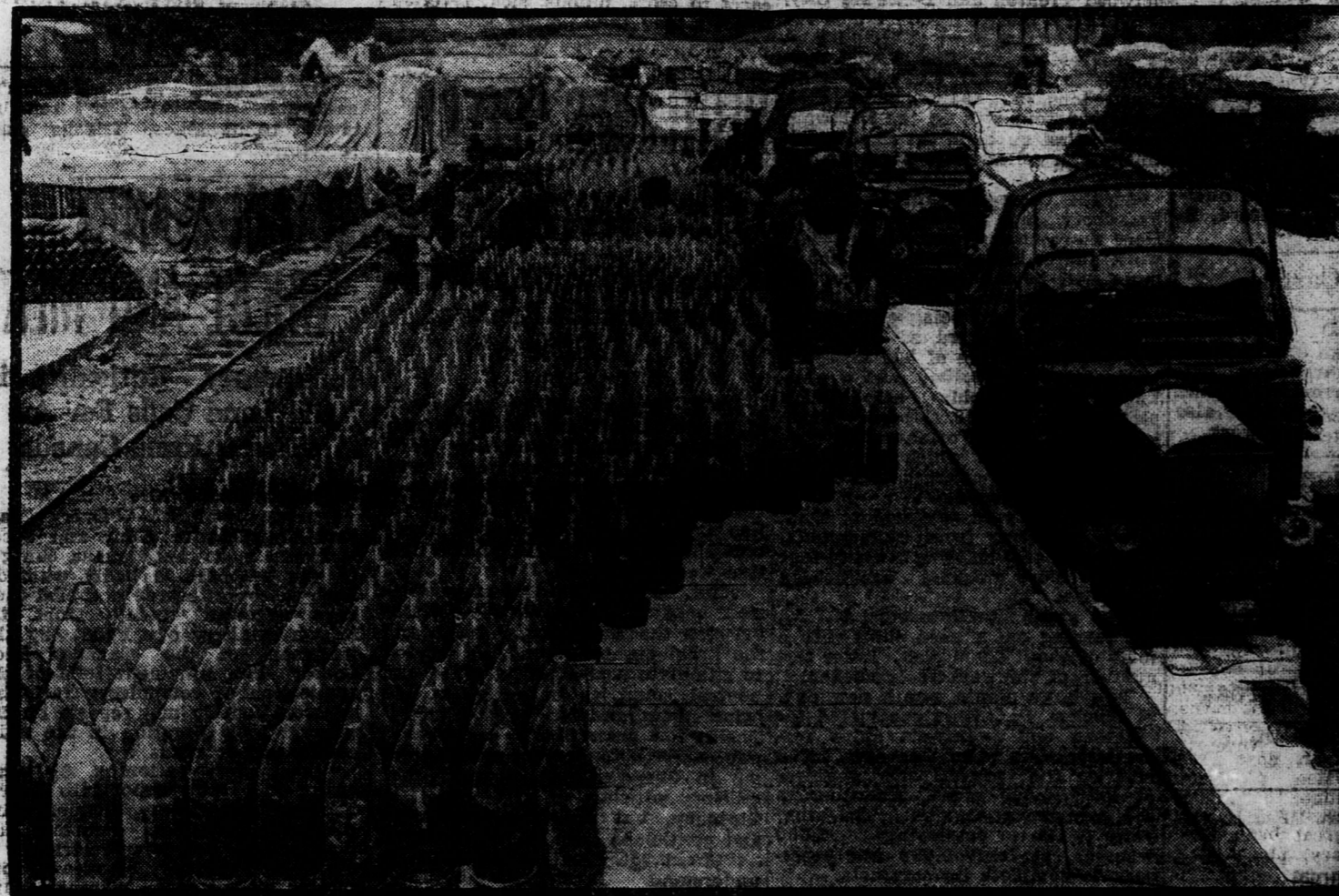
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Ammunition stacked on the British Western Front ready to be sent up the line by motor lorry. —Photo by Courtesy of G. F. R.



British Official Photo From Italy.—A scene on the roadside. —Photo by Courtesy of G. F. R.



Jack, the mascot, stops playing to watch the departure of a lorry and wonders why he is not there, as he always takes his trip to the front every night. —Photo by Courtesy of G. F. R.



On the British Western Front.—Cold work in the new filling cans of a water point. —Photo by Courtesy of G. F. R.

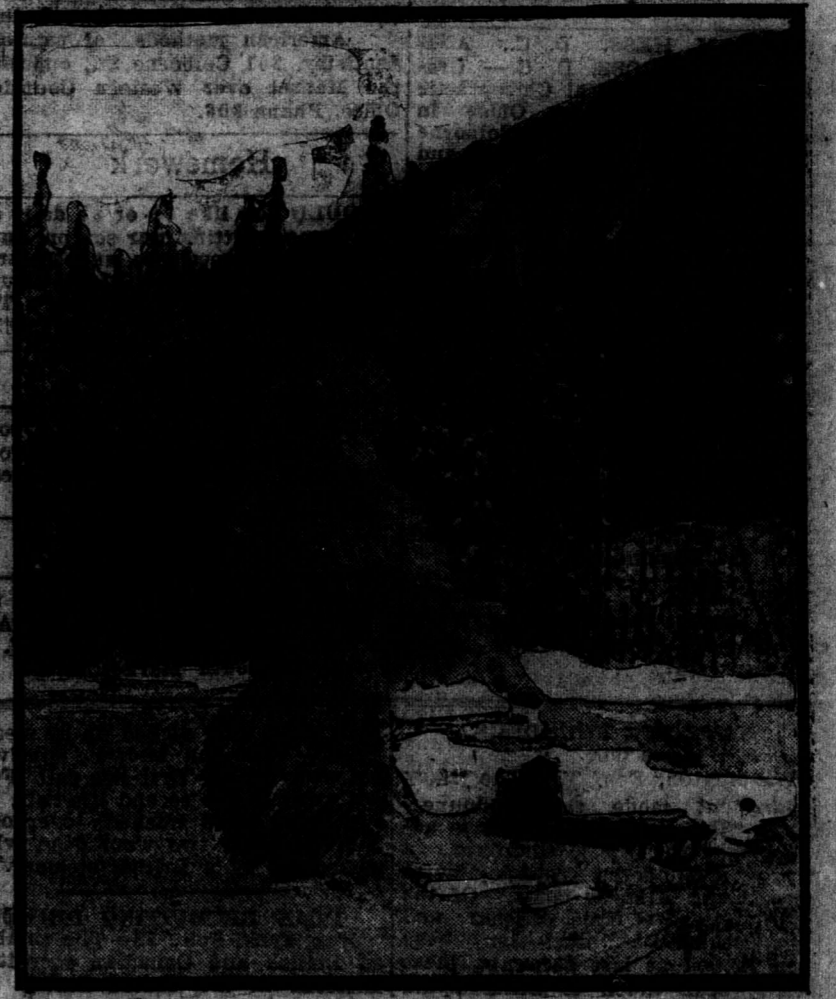


Guarding his way to the front. —Photo by Courtesy of G. F. R.



NOT A TOTEM POLE

THIS figure is neither a totem pole nor a snow machine. It is the body of a great mountain goat straggling in his hard-weather clothing. On the higher slopes of the mountain, the lower approach of which is seen in the background, this goat ridged and humped in the fall of 1915. On the right, as he peered down over the rim, he often spied the ribbon of trail which passed through the Vermilion Pass on his way to link the Columbia Valley with the Canadian national park at Banff, Alberta. But one day when the blinding blizzard of these peaks whirled and rained around the immovable cliffs of the great range he drifted down into the zone of the spruce forest. It was there "William" there. A man cracked, and he knew no more. Down through the timber the old-weather hunter sidled his catch by the horns, the passage sawing the limbs back as shown in the picture, and the weather freezing it right. At the camp, in a desire to get a proper perspective of the biggest goat of the season the hunter stood the body in the snow, close beside the trail, and there it remained until "moss" meat was wanted. For weeks the crowd eyes stared fixedly at the peaks where once it roamed, and where even then its mate was blowing and rustling, doubtless having already negotiated his. For in the alpine country it is always the survival of the fittest, and no one worries about the other. —L. J. G.



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